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PATENT APPLICATION

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METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A
THERMAL INSULATION BODYSUBMISSION TO ENTER
THE NATIONAL PHASE
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Washington, D.C. 20231PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to action on the merits, please amend the captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 2-25 and 27-38 to read as follows:

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2. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein 80 to 98 percent by weight of the volatilised silica is provided in the composition.

3. (Amended) A method according to claim 2, wherein 88 to 98 percent of the volatilised silica is provided in the composition.